



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5342

LCO No. 1560



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR LARCENY BY
DEFRAUDING A PUBLIC COMMUNITY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 53a-122 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2014*):

3 (a) A person is guilty of larceny in the first degree when [he] such
4 person commits larceny, as defined in section 53a-119, and: (1) The
5 property or service, regardless of its nature and value, is obtained by
6 extortion, (2) the value of the property or service exceeds twenty
7 thousand dollars, (3) the property consists of a motor vehicle, the value
8 of which exceeds twenty thousand dollars, or (4) the property is
9 obtained by defrauding a public community, and the value of such
10 property exceeds two thousand dollars.

11 (b) For purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any motor
12 vehicle, construction equipment, agricultural tractor or farm
13 implement or major component part of any of the above. In any
14 prosecution under subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of this section,

15 evidence of (1) forcible entry, (2) forcible removal of ignition, or (3)
16 alteration, mutilation or removal of a vehicle identification number
17 shall be prima facie evidence (A) that the person in control or
18 possession of such motor vehicle knows or should have known that
19 such motor vehicle is stolen, and (B) that such person possesses such
20 motor vehicle with larcenous intent.

21 (c) Larceny in the first degree is a class B felony and any person
22 found guilty under subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of this section shall
23 be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of five years which may not be
24 suspended or reduced by the court.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	October 1, 2014	53a-122
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish a mandatory minimum sentence of five years imprisonment for larceny in the first degree when the property is obtained by defrauding a public community, and the value of the property exceeds two thousand dollars.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]